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www.export.gov/iraq

BEIJING SARS UPDATE WEBSITE

Please check out our new SARS section on the U.S. Commercial Service China website at www.buyusa.gov/china/en/sarsinfo.html. This new website contains late breaking news on the SARS situation in China and information on U.S. products, technologies and supplies needed to fight the SARS epidemic in China.

MARKET DEMAND FOR SARS PROTECTION AND TREATMENT PRODUCTS IN CHINA

Due to China's current fight against SARS, there is an increased and urgent demand for medical related products in China. The U.S. Commercial Service in Beijing has contacted a number of Chinese agents and distributors that are interested in representing U.S. suppliers. Most of these products must be registered with China's State Food and Drug Administration (SFDA) before being sold in China. Due to the immediate demand for certain products like clinical masks, the SFDA may be able to expedite the certification.

The products in urgent need are the following:

- Ventilators
- Air sterilizer for respiration care, isolation room
- Blood gas analyzer
- Mobile, bedside X-ray
- Bedside multifunction monitor
- Personal protection consumables
- Infection control equipment like different size sterilizer, especially low temperature sterilizer
- Point of care chemistry analyzer with infection control feature (easy use and easy waste destroy)
- Hand sanitizer (anti-bacterial, water-free gel)
- Defibrillator
- Clinical masks (disposable or non-disposable with filter function)
- Face masks that covers the whole face
- Disposable protective clothing for health care workers (non-woven hazardous-proof, water-proof made from breathable materials)
- Air purification equipment and air quality testing device for isolation wards at hospitals
- Disinfectant

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